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CONTROL TECHNOLOGY (APCT)

1. STROTHER/ HARRINGTON SEND FOLLOWING INFORMATION FURTHER
TO TEXT OF DELEGATION' S PRESS RELEASE TRANSMITTED BY

EMBASSY MOSCOW:

A. BOTH SIDES AGREED TO DIVISION OF WORKING GROUPS BECAUSE OF
SUBSTANTIAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN STATIONARY AND MOBILE SOURCE
APCT.

B. ON STATIONARY SOURCE APCT PARTIES AGREED TO IMMEDIATE
EXCHANGES OF R& D INFORMATION ON SULFUR OXIDES AND PARTICULATE
CONTROL AT THERMAL POWER PLANTS, AND POLLUTION CONTROL BY
COAL AND OIL GASIFICATION. EXCHANGES ALSO PROCEEDING TO
DEFINE POSSIBILITY OF COOPERATION ON DEMETALLIZATION OF RESIDUAL
FUEL OIL, ECONOMIC STUDIES OF DESULPHURIZING METHODS, PHYSIO-
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CHEMICAL ANALYSIS OF COMPONENTS IN EMISSIONS FROM THE IRON AND STEEL INDUSTRY ICE FOG CONTROL, CATALYTIC OXIDATION PROCESSES FOR SULFUR OXIDE CONTROL, CONTROL OF EMISSIONS FROM COKE OVENS, DESULFURIZATION AND ASH REMOVAL FROM COAL BY MECHANICAL CLEANING AND IDENTIFICATION AND CONTROL OF EMISSIONS FROM COAL AND OIL CONVERSION PROCESSES.

C. AS SUCCESS OF COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REQUIRES PARTICIPATION BY INDWITH

THE U. S. IN PART AS RESULT OF THIS EXPERINCE, EMBASSY OFFICER SAID, PAN AM AND U. S. OFFICIALS WERE WATHCING IMPLEMENTATION OF U. S.- POLISH BILATERAL AGREEMENT VERY CLOSELY. KOWIESKI HAVE HIS ASSURANCE THAT GOP FULLY INTENDED TO LIVE UP TO TERMS OF BILATERAL.

3. DESPITE POLISH ASSURANCES, AND NOTWITHSTANDING USG POSITION TO THE CONTRARY (STATE 158464, 8/30/72), IT WAS OBVIOUS THAT GOP WAS LINKING CAB APPROVAL OF LOT' S PERMIT TO IMPLEMENTATION OF PAN AM' S RIGHTS, AND WORKING LEVEL OFFICIALS HERE TOLD US FRANKLY THIS WAS THEIR POSITION. INDEED, SOON AFTER WHITE HOUSE APPROVAL OF LOT' S PERMIT, POLISH MINISTER OF TRANSPORT ISSUED PERMIT ON DECEMBER 29 GRANTING PAN AM ITS RIGHTS TO SELL FOR ZLOTYS AND FOR CONVERTIBLE CURRENCIES. PROBLEM SINCE THAT TIME HAS BEEN TO TRANSLATE THIS PERMIT INTO ACTION, I. E., OBTAIN NECESSARY APPROVAL FFROM POLISH FINANCIAL, LEGAL AND TRANSPORT AUTHORITIES FOR ISSUANCE OF INSTRUCTIONS TO LOT AND BANK HANDLOWY.

4. FOLLOWING LENGTHY DISCUSSIONS WITH POLES, BOCWINSKI ON FEBRUARY 23 FINALLY WAS ABLE TO PRESENT NARODOWY BANK WITH DRAFT INSTRUCTIONS SATISFACTORY TO PAN AM. BANK PROMISED FINAL APPROVAL WITHIN ONE WEEK. ON FEBRUARY 28 EMBASSY OFFICER AND STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICER MORLEY EXPRESSED CONCER TO MFA WESTERN HEMISPHERE DIRECTOR (SZEWCZYK) THAT MATTER WAS STILL OUTSTANDING.

5. ON MARCH 19, WITH PROBLEM STILL UNRESOLVED, AMBASSADOR RAISED THE MATTER IN DETAIL WITH SZEWCZYK, NOTING THAT PAN AM WAS RECEIVING DAILY INQUIRIES FROM PERSONS WISHING TO PAY IN ZLOTYS AND THAT SIZABLE GROUP WAS WAITING IN ORDER TO FLY FOR ZLOTYS ON MARCH 28. AMBASSADOR REFERRED TO EARLIER MFA REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN SECURING REPRESENTATIVE U. S. PARTICIPATION IN LOT' S PLANNED INAUGURAL FLIGHT TO NEW YORK, AND SAID WHILE WE WERE ANXIOUS TO HAVE INAUGURATION OF FLIGHTS SUCCESSFUL AND CAUSE FOR SATISFACTION ON BOTH SIDES, TI WOULD BE DIFFICULT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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UNLESS PAN AM WERE ABLE TO SELL FOR ZLOTYS. CHARGE
RAISED MATTER AGAIN WITH SZEWCZYK ON MARCH 27. IN EACH
INSTANCE, HE ASSURED US THAT THERE WAS NO DIFFICULTY IN
PRINCIPLE AND THAT MFA WAS URGING RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES
TO WORK OUT THE NECESSARY FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS.

6. BOCWINSKI TOLD US IN BRIEF CONVERSATION ON APRIL 1 ST
THAT HE HAD RECEIVED DETAILED LETTER DAY BEFORE WHICH APPARENTLY
SERVED TO IMPLEMENT PAN AM' S TICKET SALES RIGHTS,
EFFECTIVE APRIL 1. HE BELIEVED THAT QUESTION OF
AUTHORIZATION OF SALES AGENCIES (E. G., ORBIS) IN
ADDITION TO LOT WAS STILL NOT RESOLVED TO SATISFACTION
OF PAN AM, BUT HE HAD NOT BEEN ABLE TO STUDY LETTER IN
DETAIL. (CONTRARY TO NOTION IN REFTEL PARA 2, HE MAIN-
TAINS THIS POINT MAKES SUBSTANTIVE DIFFERENCE AND WE
BELIEVE HE IS RIGHT.) EMBASSY WILL REPORT FURTHER
FOLLOWING SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSION WITH BOCWINSKI.
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